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Introduction

The Officer Handbook of the South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution was prepared by Compatriot Mark C. Anthony at the request of State Society Presidents Redding I. Corbett, III and Paul L. Grier. It is hoped that this reference will serve the needs of both current and future officers of the South Carolina Society.

This handbook is a living document that will incorporate revisions, corrections, additions, new programs, and future suggestions from both the membership of the South Carolina Society and with respect to dictates from the National Society Sons of the American Revolution.

This handbook will be maintained in an electronic format to allow for easy editing in the future. It will be primarily available through the website of the South Carolina Society.

The material within this handbook has been taken from numerous sources including the National Society and State Society websites, The Membership Roster of the SCSSAR published in 2003, *The Palmetto Patriot*, and other sources. Every attempt has been made to provide the proper attributions.

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SECTION 1

A Short History of the South Carolina Society

The South Carolina Society was organized on April 18, 1889 in a room at the State Capital in Columbia. After the election of officers, the organizing group appointed delegates to the proposed National Convention in New York City to be held later in the month.

The national Society was organized on April 30, 1889. Those descendants of our brave ancestors, whose vision and courage gave us our great nation, formed a fraternal, patriotic, and civic organization to perpetuate the basic principles of freedom to honor our founding fathers. The name adopted by the organization was the Sons of the American Revolution.

The South Carolina Society began granting charters to chapters in 1923. As of April 2008, there are sixteen chapters promote the American spirit through fraternal meetings, commemorative observances of events and battles, educational materials, projects, lectures, tours, and publications. South Carolina is rich in historical events of the American Revolution. From the mountains to the coast, South Carolina experienced the most battles and skirmishes of the war. The sixteen chapters of our society sponsor annual anniversary ceremonies of many of the battles and events.

Relics of the Revolution may be found throughout the state in some federal and state parks, museums, and libraries. Markers are found in our countryside reminding us of the sacrifice of our ancestors. The Society seeks to mark graves of our Revolutionary ancestors.

Since the organization of the South Carolina Society, over 3,000 men have filled the membership ranks. The present membership is over 680.

The South Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution joins in effort with the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Children of the American Revolution, and all patriotic and historical groups in keeping alive the ideals of our ancestors who gave us our United States of America.

**Adapted from the text written by
Compatriot Dr. Lynwood D. Jordan, Sr.**

Past Presidents of the South Carolina Society

1889 – 1890	HON. J. P. RICHARDSON	COLUMBIA	
<i>NO RECORDS EXIST</i>			
1911 – 1920	PAUL DRAPIER HAYNE	GREENVILLE	
<i>SOCIETY INACTIVE</i>			
1925 – 1931	MAJ. JOHN F. JONES	COLUMBIA	
1932 – 1938	ROBERT MOORMAN	COLUMBIA	
1939 – 1948	WALTER J. BRISTOW	COLUMBIA	
1949 – 1955	CHARLES P. SUMMERALL	CHARLESTON	
1956 – 1958	DR. BOYCE McL. GRIER	GREENWOOD	
1959 – 1960	ARTHUR P. McGEE	SUMMERVILLE	
1961 – 1962	ELBERT A. FARLOW	MYRTLE BEACH	
1962 – 1963	DR. JOSEPH CUTCHIN	EASLEY	
1963 – 1964	EDWARD L. WRIGHT	COLUMBIA	
1965 – 1966	FRANK S. WRIGHT	SPARTANBURG	
1967 – 1968	COL. FRANCIS M. MACK	FORT MILL	
1969 – 1970	JOSEPH A. PIPPIN	MEGETT	
1970 – 1971	WILLIAM D. SMITH	SPARTANBURG	
1972 – 1973	COL. HARTWELL T. BYNUM	CLEMSON	
1973 – 1974	LEON F. GARVIN	GAFFNEY	
1974 – 1975	B. BAYLES MACK	FORT MILL	
1975 – 1976	Lt. COL. SAMUEL S. WOOD	SPARTANBURG	LIVING
1977 – 1978	Lt. COL. GEORGE F. OLIVER	COLUMBIA	
1979 – 1980	WILLIAM BUFORD WORTHY	COLUMBIA	
1980 – 1981	JULIAN V. BRANDT, III	CHARLESTON	LIVING
1981 – 1982	JUDGE CHARLES M. PACE	SPARTANBURG	
1983 – 1984	WALTER TAYLOR BARRON, JR	CAMDEN	LIVING
1985 – 1986	GEORGE T. DESCHAMPS	COLUMBIA	
1987 – 1988	ALEX M. GEIGER	GASTON	
1989 – 1990	DAVID K. SUMMERS, JR	CAMERON	LIVING
1991 – 1992	WILLIAM T. ALLGOOD	SENECA	LIVING
1993 – 1994	NEIL E. BAER	WEST COLUMBIA	LIVING
1995 – 1996	DR. WILLIAM H. DARNELL	SALEM	LIVING
1997 – 1998	RONALD B. HORTON	GARDEN CITY	LIVING
1998 – 1999	COL. C. DEAN CULLISON	DATAW ISLAND	LIVING
2000 – 2001	DR. S. PERRY DAVIS, JR	PINEWOOD	
2002 – 2004	JAMES R. COOK	AIKEN	LIVING
2004 – 2005	ERNEST J. SIFFORD, JR	CHARLESTON	LIVING
2005 – 2006	GREGORY H. OHANESIAN	BENNETTSVILLE	LIVING
2006 – 2007	CHARLES S. PORTER	GREENVILLE	LIVING
2007 – 2008	DR. REDDING I. CORBETT, III	COLUMBIA	LIVING

Current Officers of the South Carolina Society

President -----	Paul L. Grier <i>Dr. George Mosse Chapter</i>
Senior Vice President -----	Douglas B. Doster <i>Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter</i>
Low Country Vice President -----	Francis W. Lachicotte, IV <i>Major General William Moultrie Chapter</i>
Midlands Vice President -----	Jim Wyrosdick <i>Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter</i>
Piedmont Vice President -----	Pierce Stockman <i>Cambridge Chapter</i>
Pee Dee Vice President -----	Frederick F. Kellogg, Jr. <i>Colonel Lemuel Benton Chapter</i>
Upstate Vice President -----	Stephen L. Blackwell <i>General Daniel Morgan Chapter</i>
Vice President for Chapter Renewal & Revitalization -----	The Rev. Ted R. Morton, Jr. <i>Cambridge Chapter</i>
Vice President for Chapter Formation & Development -----	Dr. Redding I. Corbett III <i>Colonel Thomas Taylor Chapter</i>
Secretary -----	Mark C. Anthony <i>General Daniel Morgan Chapter</i>
Treasurer -----	Greg Ohanesian <i>General Francis Marion Chapter</i>
Genealogist -----	Miles Gardner <i>Colonel Joseph Kershaw Chapter</i>
Registrar -----	John Smith <i>General Daniel Morgan Chapter</i>
Historian -----	J. Michael Farr <i>General Daniel Morgan Chapter</i>
Chaplain -----	The Rev. Ted R. Morton, Jr. <i>Cambridge Chapter</i>
Chancellor -----	Glenn Ohanesian <i>Colonel Lemuel Benton Chapter</i>
Auditor -----	A. Daniel Patten, Jr. <i>Colonel Robert Anderson Chapter</i>
National Trustee -----	Dr. Redding I. Corbett III <i>Colonel Thomas Taylor Chapter</i>
Alternate National Trustee -----	Greg Ohanesian <i>General Francis Marion Chapter</i>
Endowment Trust Treasurer -----	Lawrence Harry Mixson III <i>Major General William Moultrie Chapter</i>
Endowment Fund Trustee (3 years) -----	William Allgood <i>General Andrew Pickens Chapter</i>
Endowment Fund Trustee (2 years) -----	Victor Brandt, III <i>Major General William Moultrie Chapter</i>
Endowment Fund Trustee (1 year) -----	The Rev. Ted R. Morton, Jr. <i>Cambridge Chapter</i>

Goals of the National Society of the SAR

The South Carolina Society supports the mission and goals of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. These goals are stated as thus on the NSSAR website as well as in the National Handbook.

The Sons of the American Revolution is a historical, educational, and patriotic non-profit, United States 501(c)3 corporation that seeks to maintain and extend:

- the institutions of American freedom
- an appreciation for true patriotism
- a respect for our national symbols
- the value of American citizenship
- the unifying force of *e Pluribus Unum* that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people

We do this by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy, and triumph of the men who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it too is called to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions.

Application Procedure

All prospective members must apply for membership in the society using SAR watermarked, archival paper or the SAR watermarked application form. The following is a brief description of the application process:

- 1) An applicant contacts the local chapter or the state society regarding possible membership. If the contact is with the state society, the applicant will be referred to the closest chapter.
- 2) The chapter registrar, or other chapter officer, contacts the applicant and assists in preparing the application and the required documentation. *As a note, only one (1) copy of the supporting documentation is required while two (2) original copies of the application are required.*
- 3) The applicant prepares a check to accompany the application package in an amount sufficient to cover both the respective chapter dues plus \$125.00 to cover both state and national dues and fees made payable to the SCSSAR.
- 4) The chapter registrar forwards the application package and check to the State Registrar after confirming that both copies of the application have three (3) signatures – (1) the applicants, (2) the sponsor, and (3) the co-sponsor.
- 5) The State Registrar reviews the application package upon receipt. If there are any deficiencies or errors, the State Registrar contacts the applicant and/or chapter registrar to remedy them. If the application package is sufficient, the State Registrar signs both application copies and forwards the application package to the State Secretary.
- 6) The State Secretary signs both copies of the application twice and completes the required National Transmittal Form as a cover sheet for the application package. He then prepares a check from the State Society to cover the required National Dues and Application Fee (a single check if multiple applications are being sent). The check(s) from the applicant(s) is (are) then forwarded to the State Treasurer for deposit along with a copy of the complete Transmittal Form.
- 7) Once the application is approved by the National Office, the State Secretary receives the New Member package, issues a South Carolina State Number, prepares a welcome letter from the state society, and obtains the required signatures on the new member's shingle.
- 8) The State Secretary then makes a copy of the signed shingle and prepares a file on the new member before mailing the welcome package to the new member. A copy of the welcome letter is forwarded to the president and secretary of the chapter to which the new member is assigned to notify them so that the new member can be properly inducted.
- 9) If the application is not approved by the National Office and the applicant does not wish to continue the application process, the State Treasurer will be notified by either the State Secretary or the State Registrar so that the dues payment can then be refunded. The society will retain the application fee.

SECTION 2

Chapters of the South Carolina Society

(Taken mostly from the 2003 Membership Roster Book)

- Colonel William Bratton Chapter (Rock Hill)
Organized: December 1923
Reorganized: March 1964; January 2003
- Major Thomas Young (Union) ----- Disbanded
Organized: December 1923
- Philemon Waters Chapter (Newberry) ----- Disbanded
Organized: January 1924
- Colonel Thomas Taylor (Columbia)
Organized: 1924
Reorganized: 1939; 1959; 1975
- General Andrew Pickens (Anderson)
Organized: 1925 – in Greenville, moved to Anderson in 1987
Reorganized: May 1967; 1979
- General Daniel Morgan (Spartanburg)
Organized: 1926 as the Spartanburg Chapter; May 9, 1949 as General Daniel Morgan
Reorganized: April 1957
- Major General William Moultrie Chapter (Charleston)
Organized: April 1939 as the Citadel Chapter
Reorganized: 1980
Renamed: 1950s - Citadel-Charleston Chapter; 1998 - Major General William Moultrie Chapter
- Cambridge Chapter (Greenwood)
Organized: 1957
Reorganized: 1975; 2003
- Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter (Orangeburg)
Organized: February 1969
- General Thomas Sumter Chapter (Camden) ----- Inactive, name is reserved for future use
Organized: February 1979
Reorganized: 1993
Deactivated: approximately 2005
- General Francis Marion Chapter (Florence)
Organized: November 1979
- Colonel Matthew Singleton Chapter (Sumter)
Organized: February 1980
- Colonel Lemuel Benton Chapter (Myrtle Beach)
Organized: March 1983
- Doctor George Mosse Chapter (Hilton Head Island)
Organized: October 1984

Colonel Robert Anderson Chapter (Greenville)
Organized: February 1987

Governor Paul Hamilton Chapter (Beaufort)
Organized: April 1989

Henry Laurens Chapter (Aiken)
Organized: August 1993

Colonel Joseph Kershaw Chapter (Camden)
Organized: April 2008 – rechartered from the General Thomas Sumter Chapter

General James Williams Chapter (Clinton)
Organized: April 2008

The chapters of the South Carolina were divided into Areas under the administration of Area Vice Presidents. In January 2008, the Areas were re-designated as regions and give names to better describe the territory that each Region Vice President served.

LOW COUNTRY REGION

Doctor George Mosse Chapter (Hilton Head Island)
Governor Paul Hamilton Chapter (Beaufort)
Major General William Moultrie Chapter (Charleston)

MIDLANDS REGION

Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter (Orangeburg)
Colonel Joseph Kershaw Chapter (Camden)
Colonel Thomas Taylor Chapter (Columbia)

PEE DEE REGION

Colonel Lemuel Benton Chapter (Myrtle Beach)
Colonel Matthew Singleton Chapter (Sumter)
General Francis Marion Chapter (Florence)

PIEDMONT REGION

Cambridge Chapter (Greenwood)
General Andrew Pickens Chapter (Anderson)
General James Williams Chapter (Clinton)
Henry Laurens Chapter (Aiken)

UPSTATE REGION

Colonel William Bratton Chapter (Rock Hill)
Colonel Robert Anderson Chapter (Greenville)
General Daniel Morgan Chapter (Spartanburg)

SECTION 3

Constitution of the South Carolina Society

As amended on APRIL 26, 2008

ARTICLE I - Authority, Name, Jurisdiction

SECTION 1 - The organization has been created by authority of Article 11 of the Bylaws of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

SECTION 2 - The name of this organization shall be the South Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

SECTION 3 - The jurisdiction of this Society shall be the territorial limits of the State of South Carolina unless otherwise directed by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

ARTICLE II - Objects

The objects of this Society are declared to be patriotic, historical, and educational, and shall include those intended or designed to perpetuate the memory of those who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people; to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants; to inspire them and the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the patriots of the war, as well as documents, relics, and landmarks; to mark the scenes of the Revolution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war and of the Revolutionary period; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, and to carry out the purposes expressed in the preamble of the Constitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people.

ARTICLE III - Eligibility for Membership

SECTION 1 - Any male shall be eligible for membership in this Society who, being a citizen of good repute in the community, is the lineal descendant of an ancestor who was at all times unflinching in loyalty to, and rendered active service in the cause of American Independence, either as an officer, soldier, seaman, marine, militiaman, or minute man, in the armed forces of the Continental Congress, or of any one of the several Colonies or States; or as a signer of the Declaration of Independence; or as a member of a Committee of Safety or Correspondence; or as a member of any Continental, Provincial, or Colonial Congress or Legislature; or as a recognized patriot who performed actual service by overt acts of resistance to the authority of Great Britain; provided, that he shall be found worthy and that he does not advocate the overthrow of the government of the United States by use of force or violence.

There shall be the following classes of members:

(1) A Regular or Regular Life Member shall be any member of the age of eighteen years and over who meets all the requirements for membership as defined in this Constitution and in the Bylaws of the State Society.

(2) A Junior Member shall be a male under the age of eighteen years who has met the membership requirements of both the Sons of the American Revolution and the Children of the American Revolution. A Junior Member shall not have the right to vote or hold office until he attains the age of eighteen years.

(3) A Youth Registrant shall be a male under the age of eighteen years whose Youth Registrant application has been submitted and approved in accordance with the Bylaws of the National Society.

(4) A Youth Life Member shall be a male under the age of eighteen years who has applied for and been accepted to Youth Life Membership and has paid the applicable fee for Life Membership.

SECTION 2 - Admission to membership in the South Carolina Society shall be either through a chapter or as a member at large.

ARTICLE IV - Officers, Board of Managers, National Trustee, Alternate National Trustee, Delegates to Annual Congress, Executive Committee

SECTION 1 - Officers: The officers of this Society shall be a President, a Senior Vice President, five (5) regional Vice Presidents, a Vice-President for Chapter Renewal and Revitalization, a Vice-President for Chapter Formation and Development, a Secretary, a Treasurer, an Endowment Trust Treasurer, a Registrar, a Chaplain, a Historian, a Chancellor, a Genealogist and an Auditor. The officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present at the annual meeting of the Society; and shall hold office for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified. Such officers shall serve without compensation in such capacities. Their duties shall be such as their titles shall, by custom, indicate and as may be assigned them by the Bylaws, the President, the Board of Managers, or the Executive Committee.

SECTION 2 – Board of Governors: The Board of Governors shall consist of the National Trustee, the elected officers of the Society during their terms of office, all living past presidents of the Society, the president of each Chapter in the Society, and one additional member from each chapter, said member to be selected by the Chapter, the chairs of each committee appointed by the President of the Society, and of members appointed by the officers of the State Society not affiliated with nor under the jurisdiction of local Chapters. The term of office shall be concurrent with that of the State officers who made the appointment.

SECTION 3 – National Trustee: The Society shall nominate one member each year to be elected by the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to serve as National Trustee.

SECTION 4 – Alternate National Trustee: The Society shall nominate one member each year to be elected by the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to serve as Alternate National Trustee.

SECTION 5 – Delegates to Annual Congress: The Society shall elect a Delegate at large to attend the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and such other Delegates as it may be entitled to, said delegates to be selected in the manner prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Society.

SECTION 6 – Executive Committee: The affairs of the Society shall be managed by the Executive Committee which shall consist of the elected officers of the Society, the National Trustee during his term of office, and two members from the general membership appointed by the President.

SECTION 7 - No officer of the South Carolina Society shall hold office in the Society of any other state.

ARTICLE V - Annual Meeting, Special Meetings, Quorum

SECTION 1 - The Annual meeting of this Society for the election of officers and the transaction of business shall be held each year between January 1 and forty (40) days prior to the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution on a date and at a place designated by vote of the Board of Governors. Notice of the Annual meeting will be given to each member at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting specifying time and place.

SECTION 2 - Special meetings may be called by the President, and shall be called by him when so directed by the Board of Governors or when so requested by fifteen (15) members of the Society representing at least three (3) Chapters in the state, on giving at least seven (7) days notice to each member of the Society, specifying the time and place of such meeting and the business to be transacted.

SECTION 3 – Twenty-five percent (25%) of the membership of the Board of Governors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Board. Five (5) members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Committee. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the membership of the Board of Governors, including at least five (5) members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting. Five percent (5%) of the membership of a chapter shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by that Chapter. A quorum shall be established at the beginning of a meeting. In the event of the failure to meet a quorum, the only action that can be taken is an adjournment.

ARTICLE VI - Amendments

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote at an Annual or Special Meeting of the membership of the society, provided that notice of such proposed amendment shall have been sent to each member at least fifteen (15) days prior to the said meeting.

SECTION 4

By Laws of the South Carolina Society

As amended on APRIL 26, 2008

ARTICLE I - Membership

SECTION 1 - Application for membership shall be made through the Secretary of this Society in accordance with Article I of the Bylaws of the National Society and upon duplicate blank form prescribed by the National Board of Trustees, and shall in each case be accompanied by the application fee and dues for the current year. The dues will be returned in case of rejection.

SECTION 2 - An applicant for membership must be endorsed by two members of this society in good standing.

SECTION 3 - Upon receipt of an application, the Secretary shall present the same, if in the proper form, to the Board of Governors as represented by their Membership Approval Committee. If the Board of Governors Committee accepts the application, the Secretary shall so certify. Then the Registrar shall verify and approve the application. The original copy of the application shall be submitted to the Registrar General of the National Society by the Secretary, who shall retain the second copy for the state records. The applicant shall not be deemed elected to membership until the Registrar General shall have notified the Secretary of his approval of the application, and the Membership Numbers, National and State, have been assigned to the new member.

SECTION 4 - Members who are able to establish their eligibility on the services of more than one revolutionary ancestor may file Supplemental Applications. Supplemental Applications must be filed in duplicate with the Secretary of the Society on forms provided by the National Society and must be accompanied by the fees to the State and National Society.

SECTION 5 - A member may transfer his membership from this State Society to another or from another State Society to this Society, provided that he is in good standing at the time of the transfer. An out of state applicant for membership must be endorsed by two members of this society in good standing. The transfer is affected through use of a transfer form, which is first signed by the Secretary of the State Society of which the Compatriot is a member and then is signed by the Secretary of the State Society to which he is being transferred. The transfer is then sent to the office of the Registrar General with the transfer fee.

SECTION 6 - A compatriot may establish membership in more than one State Society by applying for dual membership. He is required to pay annual dues to each State Society to which he belongs.

SECTION 7 - Male members of the Children of the American Revolution may apply for dual membership in the Sons of the American Revolution at any time. They must present a Certificate in Good Standing, which shall be accepted in lieu of the admission fee, provided that the application is submitted not later than one year after his twenty-first (21st) birthday. Such transfers are required to pay the fee, prescribed by the National Society, for their membership certificates.

SECTION 8 - The son of a member of the Society, or the son of a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, who is between the ages of eighteen and twenty five, may be admitted without payment of the admission fee, provided that his parent is a member in good standing, or if deceased, was a member in good standing at the time of death. Such an applicant shall pay the fee, prescribed by the National Society, for his membership certificate.

SECTION 9 - The Board of Governors as represented by their Membership Approval Committee shall have the power to drop from the rolls any member who shall be in arrears in his dues on January 1 of the current year provided he has been given 30 days prior notice by first class mail. He may be reinstated in

his membership by the Membership Approval Committee of the Board of Governors upon payment of his indebtedness to the society.

SECTION 10 - The Membership Approval Committee of the Board of Governors shall judge the qualifications of all candidates for admission in the Society and vote upon the same.

SECTION 11 - The Board of Governors shall have full power and authority, after due notice, impartial trial and by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board of Governors, to expel any member who, by conduct unbecoming a gentleman, shall render himself unworthy to remain a member of our Society.

SECTION 12 - Resignation from membership in this Society may be granted only when all dues are paid to date.

SECTION 13 - The official designation of members of this society shall be "Compatriots".

ARTICLE II - Dues

SECTION 1 -The annual dues of this Society will be determined from year to year by the Executive Committee with approval of the Board of Governors.

SECTION 2 - The Executive Committee may, in its discretion, remit the annual dues of any member.

SECTION 3 - Any Chapter in this Society may assess and collect from its members such dues as it may deem advisable beyond the minimum described in Section 1 of this Article.

SECTION 4 - The fiscal year of this Society shall conform to that of the National Society.

SECTION 5 – Current life memberships shall be maintained during the life-time of those currently enrolled. No additional life memberships shall be established by this Society. The life membership fees shall provide for the payment of the National Society dues and State Society dues in the amount of \$15.00 (USD). Chapter dues shall remain the responsibility of the individual members.

SECTION 6 – Upon reaching the age of 90, any SCSSAR member whose primary membership is in this Society will no longer be charged State dues. National and Chapter dues will still apply.

ARTICLE III - Chapters

SECTION 1 - Ten (10) or more members of this Society, residing in any community within the Society's jurisdiction may form themselves into a Chapter of this Society with the approval of the Executive Committee.

SECTION 2 - Each Chapter shall regulate all matters including membership, pertaining to its own affairs, subject to the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Society and the Constitution and Bylaws of the South Carolina Society.

SECTION 3 - Whenever in any community within the jurisdiction of this Society, a Chapter does not exist, or in which a Chapter has become inactive, ten or more persons duly qualified for membership in this Society may associate themselves as a Chapter, and may organize in accordance with this Constitution and Bylaws; they may be admitted by the Executive Committee of the South Carolina Society as "The _____ Chapter of the South Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution", and shall thereafter have exclusive local jurisdiction in the community in which they are organized, subject to the provisions of this Constitution and Bylaws and the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Society.

SECTION 4 - Application for Chapter Charter shall be by written petition to the Executive Committee, setting forth the name of the locality, the proposed name of the Chapter and the names of the petitioners.

The Executive Committee may grant a Charter authorizing the adoption of a Constitution and Bylaws conformable with those of this Society and of the National Society. A copy of such Constitution and Bylaws, a list of the officers elected hereunder and a roster of the membership shall be filed with the Secretary of the Society.

SECTION 5 - No person shall be a member of any Chapter unless he is a member of the State Society.

SECTION 6 - Chapter Charters may be revoked for cause by two-thirds vote of the Board of Managers.

SECTION 7 - Each Chapter shall:

- (a) Notify the State Secretary promptly of the election and appointment of all officers.
- (b) Notify the State Secretary promptly of all deaths of members.
- (c) Annually report a list of officers and members in good standing with their addresses to the State Secretary by October 31.
- (d) The State Secretary may, at any time, require a report from Chapters, giving lists of officers, members, and meetings held, and an account of activities for the period covered

SECTION 8 - Membership in Chapters shall not in any way change the relations of members to the State Society, nor impair obligations of payment of dues and other requisitions of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

SECTION 1 - The duties of the officers of the Society shall be such as usually appertain to their offices, and they shall have such other duties as are hereinafter imposed and such powers as shall be delegated to them by an Annual or Special Meeting of the Society, the Board of Governors, or the Executive Committee.

SECTION 2 - The President, in addition to his general duties, shall maintain a general supervision over the affairs of the Society; he shall appoint all committees unless otherwise provided for, and shall be chairman of the Board of Governors and a member of all committees. The President will be considered the designated National Trustee nominee under normal circumstances.

SECTION 3 - The Senior Vice President shall assist the President in general supervision over the affairs of the Society and shall represent the Society at Chapter meetings or other affairs, which the President is unable to attend. In the absence of the President, he will preside over meetings of the Society or the Board of Governors and, in the event of death, disability or resignation of the President, he will assume the duties of the President until a new President is elected at the annual meeting of the Society. The Senior Vice President shall have oversight of Society communications especially the Palmetto Patriot Editor, the Palmetto Patriot Publisher, Webmaster, and Public Relations Chairman. The Senior Vice President shall coordinate educational and youth activities of the State Society. The Senior Vice President will be considered the designated President nominee under circumstances. Under normal circumstances no member of the Society shall be nominated for Senior Vice President unless he has served at least one (1) term in another office of the Board of Governors within the past five (5) years.

SECTION 4 - The Regional Vice Presidents shall seek in every manner to promote the interest and activities of the State Society; visit and be responsible for the chapters in his area; encourage the formation of new chapters and the enrollment of new members.

SECTION 5 - The Vice President for Chapter Renewal and Revitalization shall direct and assist chapters on probation or non-functioning chapters with renewal and revitalization efforts and shall have direct oversight of these Chapters.

SECTION 6 – The Vice President for Chapter Formation and Development shall direct and assist in the development of new chapters within the Society and shall have direct oversight of these chapters.

SECTION 7 - The Secretary shall have charge of all the records of the society, shall give notice of all meetings of the Society, Executive Committee or Board of Governors and shall give due notice to all State Officers, and Chapters of all votes, orders and proceedings affecting or appertaining to their duties. The Secretary shall obtain name and address mailing labels as required for all members, a local permit for bulk mail and distribute the Palmetto Patriot newsletter. He shall provide a list of the new members to update the State Society Roster annually. He shall distribute all pamphlets, circulars, rosettes, and supplies as directed by the Board of Governors. He shall also serve as Secretary of the Board of Governors. He shall issue certificates of membership to members entitled thereto.

SECTION 8 - The Treasurer shall have custody of the General Fund of the Society. He shall collect all money due the Society, including application fees and dues, and keep account of the same. He shall pay to the Treasurer General the annual dues as required by the National Society. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and expenditures. He shall deposit all uninvested funds in the name of the South Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in a reliable bank or savings institution. He shall prepare and submit a budget for approval and adoption at the Annual Meeting. General budget line items may only be added to the budget at the Annual Meeting of the Society. Expenditure of funds for items not budgeted for may only be made from the General Fund, any Contingency Fund, Special Designated Fund, or gifts to the Society upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Governors.

SECTION 9 - The Endowment Trust Treasurer shall have custody of the Endowment Trust and Life Membership Fund of the Society. If authorized by the Board of Governors, the income of the Endowment Trust shall be paid to the Secretary and applied to the current expenses of the society or as otherwise directed. No part of the Endowment Trust shall be expended except by recommendation of the Executive Committee. The income from the Life Membership Fund shall be paid to the Secretary for the annual dues of the life members. Any excess income shall be reinvested in the Life Membership Fund or as the Executive Committee shall direct. The Endowment Trust Treasurer shall keep a true account of receipts and expenditures. The accounts of the Society may be audited at the end at a time and by persons selected by the Board of Governors.

SECTION 10 - The Registrar shall examine all applications for membership and if found acceptable approve them before submission to National Headquarters for final approval and registration. A duplicate copy of all applications of all members shall be retained for the records of this Society by the Secretary or the Registrar. The Secretary or Registrar shall keep a Register of the names and dates of election, transfer, resignation and death of all active members.

SECTION 11 - The Chaplain (preferably a regular ordained minister) shall open and close meetings of the Society with the services usual and proper for such occasions.

SECTION 12 - The Historian shall have the care and custody of all historical papers, manuscripts and documents belonging to the Society, and shall keep a correct list of the same. He shall endeavor to be present at all exercises of the Society, and call attention to, and give information regarding, points of historic interest. He shall keep records of his historical and commemorative meetings, and shall supervise the preparation and printing of any historical publications of this Society. The Historian shall oversee research, documentation, and location of any forts, battles, or significant events leading up to and during the American Revolution in South Carolina. He will distribute that information via the SCSSAR website, the Palmetto Patriot, and/or articles in the public media. The Historian shall be an ex officio member of the Patriotism Committee. He shall prepare a summary of activities for presentation at the annual State Convention.

SECTION 13 - The Chancellor shall be an attorney at law and shall give opinions on legal matters affecting the Society when such questions are referred to him by the proper officers.

SECTION 14 - The Genealogist shall provide assistance to prospective members in preparing applications and in reviewing applications when requested by the Registrar or Secretary.

SECTION 15 - The Board of Governors shall perform such duties as may be committed to it by any meeting of the Society. The President may call meetings of the Board of Governors at any time he may deem necessary and shall call such meetings upon the written request of five members thereof; provided that for any meeting, other than such as may be called during the session or immediately upon the adjournment of an Annual or Special Meeting of the South Carolina Society, not less than ten (10) days notice of the time and place of such meeting shall be given. The President shall appoint the following committees.

- (a) Membership
- (b) Projects and Awards
- (c) Americanism
- (d) Nominating
- (e) Such other committees as the President or Executive Committee may deem advisable.

SECTION 16 - The Executive Committee shall be the custodian of all property, real and personal, belonging to the Society, and shall have charge of and shall manage the business and affairs of the Society and shall perform such duties as may be committed to it by any meeting of the Society, provided, that it shall not have power to sell, convey, or encumber any real estate belonging to the Society or incur any liability other than for ordinary current expenses, except when it be ordered at an Annual or Special meeting of the Society by two thirds vote of the members present, after having been recommended by a majority of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V - Special Funds

SECTION 1 - There are four special funds of the State Society the Endowment Trust, the Life Membership Fund, the Education Fund and the Colonial Ball Fund. The Endowment Trust is the successor of the Permanent Fund, which no longer exists in name, and its assets were transferred to the new name. The functions of these funds are defined in the following sections.

SECTION 2 - The Endowment Trust is authorized to receive gifts, legacies, bequests, memorials, honoraria, and other contributions in the form of money, stocks, bonds, real or Personal Property or other negotiable assets. The purpose of the Trust is to build a sufficient fund that the income will be of material help in promoting the objects of the Society as set forth in its Constitution, or to meet emergency needs.

SECTION 3 - The Life Membership Fund will receive all fees paid for life memberships. Annually, at the time appropriate for payment of dues, sufficient funds will be transferred to the State Treasurer to pay the current dues for all qualified life members.

SECTION 4 - The Education Fund receives contributions from members and non-members. The proceeds of the Fund shall be used to promote the educational goals of the Society.

SECTION 5 - The Colonial Ball Fund will receive all fees paid for participation in the Colonial Balls sponsored by the Society as well as any contributions made specifically to the Ball or the Fund. The Fund shall be used to pay for costs incurred in producing the Colonial Ball. Proceeds of the Ball shall be used to fund the SCSSAR Scholarship Contest.

SECTION 6 - Trustees, three in number, will be elected by the Society in the same manner as other officers. The term of office will be three years; initially, one trustee will be elected for each of one, two and three year terms; thereafter, one trustee will be elected annually for a three-year term. Trustees will be eligible for reelection, without time limitations. Trustees will elect the Chairman from among their members.

SECTION 7 - Trustees will be responsible for the receipt, protection and investment of all moneys and properties received by the Endowment Trust and Life Membership Fund. Properties may be retained in the form received or converted to cash, in the considered judgment of the Trustees. Investments will be in insured accounts and expenditures will be made only as provided in Sections 2 through 5, above, or as directed by the Executive Committee or Board of Managers. Periodic reports on the status of the accounts will be made to the Board to Managers and annually to the State Convention.

ARTICLE VI - Elections

SECTION 1 - Nominations for officers and the National Trustee shall be made by the Nominating Committee provided for in Article IV, Section 12 (d) of the Bylaws. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the time of the election.

SECTION 2 - Election of officers shall be by ballot at the Annual Meeting, and a majority of all votes cast shall be required for election.

SECTION 3 - The term of office shall be for one year and until a successor shall be elected.

SECTION 4 - Vacancies occurring during the year shall be filled by presidential appointment.

SECTION 5 - Voting by proxy shall not be permitted.

SECTION 6 - The following current members, in good standing with the SCSSAR, shall be entitled to serve as Delegates at the SCSSAR Annual Convention, and at any properly called meeting of the SCSSAR. All Delegates must be registered, and pay any registration fees prior to the meeting. These Delegates shall be entitled to vote therein.

(a) All Past Presidents of the SCSSAR, and all current General Officers of the NSSAR, who are active members of the SCSSAR.

(b) The current elected officers of the SCSSAR, including the National Trustee and Alternate National Trustee, and any Endowment Trustees.

(c) Two Delegates for each ten members of an active, functioning chapter, which is recognized as such by the SCSSAR. Such Delegates are to be elected, or appointed, by each individual chapter. Each Chapter Secretary shall provide the SCSSAR Secretary with a list of the names of the Chapter Delegates prior to the opening of the meeting.

(d) No Delegate shall be entitled to cast more than one vote.

(e) No proxy votes shall be accepted or allowed.

ARTICLE VII - Order of Business of the Annual Meeting

- (1) Calling the meeting to order by the President.
- (2) Opening prayer by the Chaplain.
- (3) Pledge to the S. A. R.
- (4) Address by the President.
- (5) Appointment of necessary committees.
- (6) Reading minutes of last meeting.
- (7) Reports of Officers.
- (8) Reports of Committees.
- (9) Unfinished business.
- (10) New business.
- (11) Address by Special Guests.
- (12) Election of Officers.

- (13) Installation of Officers.
- (14) Adjournment and Benediction.

Provided that the President may suspend this order of business.

ARTICLE VIII - Parliamentary Authority

The Parliamentary Authority for all meetings of the Society, the Board of Managers and Committees shall be Robert's Rules of Order, Recently Revised, except as otherwise provided by this Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX - Amendments

The Bylaws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote at an Annual or Special meeting of the membership of the Society provided that notice of such proposed amendment shall have been sent to each member at least fifteen (15) days prior to the said meeting.

SECTION 5

Duties of the State Society Officers

The specific duties of the State Society Officers are detailed in the By Laws of the State Society. The following provides a summary of their duties. These same duties can be extrapolated to the corresponding Chapter Officers.

President

- He shall be responsible for the general supervision of the Society.
- He shall appoint all committees.
- He shall be a member of all committees.
- He shall be the Chairman and presiding officer at all meetings.
- Under normal circumstances, he shall be designated the National Trustee nominee.

Senior Vice President

- He shall assist the President in general supervision of the Society.
- He shall represent the President at meetings and other events where the President cannot attend.
- In the absence of the President, he shall be the Chairman and presiding officer at all meetings.
- He shall assume the office of President upon the death, resignation, or disability of the President.
- He shall have direct oversight of all Society communications including *The Palmetto Patriot*, the website, and any other publicity committee.
- He shall coordinate the educational and youth activities of the Society.
- Under normal circumstances, he shall be designated the Presidential nominee.

Region Vice Presidents

- Seek to promote the interest and activities of the State to the Chapters within their region.
- Visit each chapter at least once during their term in office
- Plan and conduct at least one regional meeting whereby all chapters within the region are represented.
- Encourage the formation of new chapters by aiding the Vice President for Chapter Formation & Development.
- Encourage the enrollment of new members in the chapters within the region.

Other Vice Presidents

- Vice President for Chapter Renewal & Revitalization
 - Shall be the Chairman of the Chapter Revitalization Committee
 - Shall direct and assist non-functioning chapters
 - Shall have direct oversight of chapters that are non-functioning or considered on probation.
- Vice President for Chapter Formation & Development
 - Shall direct and assist the Region Vice Presidents in the identification of areas for new chapter expansion
 - Shall assist in the development of potential chapters up to and through the chartering process
 - Shall have direct oversight of potential chapter groups until chartering.
 - Shall act as the new chapter advisor for the first year after chartering.

Secretary

- Shall be responsible for all the records of the Society.
- Shall give proper notice of all meetings of the Society as well as report on all matters of business conducted at said meetings.
- Shall provide requested mailing labels to the officers and chapters of the society. He shall be responsible for obtaining a bulk mail permit and the distribution of *The Palmetto Patriot*.
- Shall serve as Secretary for the Board of Governors.
- Shall issue membership certificates to members entitled thereto.

- Shall distribute all pamphlets, circulars, rosettes, and other supplies as directed by the Board of Governors.
- Shall be responsible for issuing all official communications of the State Society.
- He, or the Registrar, shall be responsible for retain copies of all member applications, as well as a register of the names and dates of election, transfer, resignation, and death of all members.

Treasurer

- He shall be responsible for and have custody of the General Fund of the Society.
- He shall collect all revenues due to the Society and pay all required bills of the Society and give a report of these activities.
- He shall prepare and submit for approval an annual budget for the Society.

Registrar

- Shall examine all applications for membership and approve them if found acceptable.
- Shall submit approved applications to the National Office for final approval.
- Shall supervise the retention of a copy of all applications by the State Society.
- Shall keep a register of the names, dates of election, transfer, resignation, and death of all active members.

Chaplain

- It is preferable that the State Chaplain be a regularly ordained minister.
- He shall open and close meetings of the Society with the appropriate service for such occasions.

Historian

- Shall have custody and care of all historical papers, manuscripts, and documents belonging to the Society and keep a correct list of the same.
- Shall endeavor to be present at all exercises of the Society, and call attention to and give information regarding points of historical interest.
- He shall keep records of his historical and commemorative meetings.
- He shall supervise the preparation and printing of any historical publications of the Society.
- He shall oversee research, documentation, and location of any forts, battles or significant events leading up to and during the Revolution.
- Shall distribute information via the state website, *The Palmetto Patriot*, and any other public method.
- He shall be an ex officio member of the Patriotism Committee.
- He shall prepare a summary of activities for presentation at the Annual Meeting.

Chancellor

- He shall be an Attorney at Law.
- He shall give opinions on all legal matters affecting the Society when such questions are referred by the proper officers.

Genealogist

- He shall provide assistance to prospective members of the Society.
- He shall provide assistance in reviewing applications when requested by the Registrar or Secretary.

Auditor

- He shall review the financial statements of the Society for accuracy.

Endowment Fund Trustees

- They shall have oversight and provide direction for the investment of the funds that comprise the Endowment Trust and Life Membership Funds of the Society.

Endowment Fund Treasurer

- He shall have custody of the Endowment Trust and Life Membership Funds of the Society.

SECTION 6

Committees of the South Carolina Society

The majority of the work of the South Carolina Society is carried out by its individual members through the use of the various committees that provide oversight and guidance for the programs that they are charged with overseeing. The following is a listing of the committees and a brief synopsis of their functions:

2014 National Congress Committee

This committee was formed in 2008 to explore the possibility of the South Carolina Society hosting the National Society's National Congress in the year 2014. The committee is responsible for preparing and presenting a bid to the National Society's National Congress Planning Committee.

Americanism (adapted from the NSSAR Americanism Committee website)

This committee is responsible for organizing and directing the Society's efforts to promote the principles of freedom and liberty for all Americans. This includes dissemination of NSSAR programs and resolutions relating to the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights.

The committee adjudicates the State Chapter of the Year award and provides a clearinghouse for the chapters to submit entries into the National President General's Streamer, Allene Wilson Groves Award, Liberty Bell Award, and USS Stark Memorial Award contests.

The entry forms for these three national contests can be found at the following website link:

<http://www.sar.org/committee/americanism/President.Generals.Activities.Scoresheet.pdf>

<http://www.sar.org/committee/americanism/Americanism.Scoresheet.pdf>

<http://www.sar.org/forms/USS.Stark.Award.Scoresheet.pdf>

The Americanism Committee also provides information on the Elementary School Poster Contest to the Education Committee (see below) for adjudication.

The Americanism Committee makes the following award presentations at the Annual State Meeting:

- Chapter of the Year – Streamer and Certificate
- Chapter of the Year First Runner-up – Certificate
- Chapter of the Year Second Runner-up – Certificate

The Americanism Committee is a Permanent Committee of the South Carolina Society. Membership of the Committee consists of the Chairman, the Chairman of the Education Committee, the State Historian, the State President (ex officio), and any other compatriot so appointed by the Chairman of the Americanism Committee.

CAR/SAR/DAR Relations

The object of this committee is to foster cooperation between the State Society and the membership of the South Carolina Society Children of the American Revolution and the South Carolina Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

This objective is primarily reached through the following:

- sponsorship of CAR Societies by an SAR Chapter
- providing Senior Leadership to CAR Societies and the State CAR Society
- providing positive male role models for the members of the CAR
- providing financial support of the State CAR President's Annual Project
- encouraging male CAR members to consider and continue membership in the SAR once they age out of the CAR

Colonial Ball

This committee plans and hosts the Bi-annual South Carolina Society Colonial Ball. This ball is a debutante ball that is hosted in Charleston. This ball is the primary and sole fund-raiser for the South Carolina State Society Scholarship that is awarded annually.

Information on the Colonial Ball can be found at the following SCSSAR website link:

<http://www.scssar.org/PDF/Colonial%20Ball%20InformationSheet%202007R3.pdf>

Color Guard

The National SAR Color Guard was organized in 1989, when then President General James R. Westlake called for the creation of such. Color Guards attract a considerable amount of attention when on parade, at re-enactments, and other public events. Members of color guards are often asked to come to primary and secondary schools (in uniform) to talk about the Struggle for Independence and their region's or ancestors' roles in the founding of our nation. A colorful and patriotic unit may receive requests for appearance at holiday parades, civic events, and field ceremonies at athletic events. *(taken from the NSSAR website)*

The South Carolina State Color Guard has gone through many versions including the Swamp Fox Brigade founded by Past State Presidents Ron Horton and Jim Cook during the late 1990s.

The State Color Guard uniform is primarily that of the Militia which honors the majority of the men who took up arms in South Carolina during the American Revolution.

The State Color Guard currently carries the United States National Flag, the South Carolina State Flag, and the South Carolina Society SAR State Flag with streamers.

Eagle Scout Program

This committee is responsible for distributing Eagle Scout Information Packets to the State Society Chapters, local Boy Scout Councils, and/or eligible Eagle Scouts. The committee also distributes letters to each chapter that outlines this program.

State Society Chapters submit nominations (completed entry forms and supporting documentation) to the State Chairman for adjudication of a State Winner. The State Winner is awarded a scholarship of \$500.00 by the State Society at its Annual State Meeting in addition to a Trophy that is provided to the State Society from the National Eagle Scout Committee.

The State Winner is then forwarded to the National Eagle Scout Committee as the State Society's entrant in the National Scholarship Contest. The State Committee is expected to abide by all rules, regulations, and deadlines established by the National Eagle Scout Committee.

Information on the entry form can be found at the following website link:

<http://www.sar.org/forms/esapp01.pdf>

Education

This committee is responsible for publicizing and judging the State History Teachers of the Year program. The criteria for this program closely follow the established criteria of the National Tom & Betty Lawrence History Teacher of the Year Award. The guidelines and application forms can be found at the following website link: <http://www.sar.org/history/Lawrence.html>

Endowment Funds

This committee is comprised of the Endowment Fund Treasurer and three Endowment Fund Trustees. The Treasurer (1-year term) and one Endowment Fund Trustee (3-year term) are elected at the State Annual Meeting each year. The committee is charged with the proper investment of and custody of any Endowment Funds, Life Membership Funds, and / or any other specially designated funds established by the State Society (the exception to this is the Colonial Ball Fund which is under the control of the Colonial Ball Fund Committee).

Historic Sites & Patriot Graves Committee

This committee is charged with meeting the first objective of the Sons of the American Revolution is to honor and perpetuate the memory of the people and events of the Revolution. This committee directly serves this purpose by providing guidance and encouragement to the chapters of the State Society in two specific areas:

- 1) Reviewing, approving, and promoting historic sites with the State of South Carolina. The committee has the responsibility of reporting all historic site celebrations to the National Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee. This committee shall also be responsible for recommending any site for possible consideration as a National event, and
- 2) Researching the location of, planning the marking of, and reporting the location and event related to the marking of various Patriot graves. The graves can be located in any state, but it should be advised that the cooperation with any local SAR chapter should always be sought.

There are two types of SAR markers that are available for purchase from the National Society's Merchandise Direct department. The first is a Lug Type that can be mounted directly onto an existing headstone which is available in both a Large (\$135.00) and a Small (\$80.00) size. The second is a stake type marker (\$165.00) that can be placed in the ground next to a headstone.

http://store.sar.org/index.php?l=product_list&c=21

The United States Government will provide an official headstone or marker free of charge through the Veterans Administration for any deceased veteran in an unmarked grave. Form VA 40-1330 must be completed and is available at the following address:

Department of Veterans Affairs (403A)
Office of Memorial Programs
810 Vermont Ave NW
Washington, DC 20420-0001

The form will provide directions for completion and submission of the form.

There is a suggested Grave Marking Service Order of Service available in the National Society Handbook at http://www.sar.org/forms/handbook/SAR_Handbook_Vol_II.pdf starting on page 38.

George & Stella Knight Essay Contest

This committee is responsible for the conduct of the annual Knight Essay Contest and naming the State Society Winner who will represent the state at the National contest. This contest is open to all students who are United States citizens or legal aliens attending public, parochial or private high schools (including accredited home schools). The contestant has to be in their sophomore, junior, or senior year of study during the contest year.

The essay must be an original researched topic written in English on an event, person, ideal, or philosophy associated with the Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the Constitution. The essay must include all sources fully notated. Further rules, guidelines, and entry forms can be found at the following website: <http://www.sar.org/youth/knight.html>

Medals & Awards

This committee is responsible for the selection of those individuals who receive both State Society and National Society awards that state societies are allowed to present. The committee reviews all applications submitted by either chapters or individual compatriots against the published requirements provided in the National Society handbook. The committee coordinates the presentation of said awards at the Annual State Meeting and at other appropriate times.

Membership & Retention

This committee is responsible for monitoring the current membership rolls, membership trends, and report on the same to the State Society. The committee is also responsible for organizing efforts toward recruitment of new members through the chapters of the State Society. This committee is chaired by the State Senior Vice President during his term in office.

Nominating

This committee is responsible with developing and reporting a slate of officers for election at the Annual State Meeting. This committee is chaired by the State President and has at least one member representing each of the five regions of the SC Society. The list of officers is taken directly from the SC Society Constitution.

Publicity & Communications

This committee was formed at the July 2007 Board of Governors meeting. This committee is chaired by the Senior Vice President during his term in office and is composed of the following subcommittees:

- **Art Project Subcommittee:** This subcommittee is the successor to the Art Project Committee and is charged with the final sale of the remaining prints purchased by the State Society.
- **Palmetto Patriot Subcommittee:** *The Palmetto Patriot* is the official newsletter of the SC Society. As of the April 2008 Annual State Meeting, the Society has established the appointed offices of Editor and Publisher for *The Palmetto Patriot*. The Editor is responsible for the collection and formatting of material that is submitted for inclusion in each issue. The Publisher is responsible for the actual printing and mailing of the newsletter. Both of these appointees are supervised by the Senior Vice President. *The Palmetto Patriot* should be printed at least quarterly.
- **Speakers & Writers Bureau:** This subcommittee is the successor to the committee formed in June 2007 to act as a clearinghouse for contact information about programs that individual members of the SC Society can put on for other civic, educational, and religious organizations. The committee compiles the following information for publication on the state website:
 - Name of Speaker with contact information
 - Location of Speaker and how far he is willing to travel
 - Topics each speaker can present
 - Times that each speaker is availableThe subcommittee is not responsible for booking any appearances but only seeks to compile information on all articles and other publication submissions that members of the State Society produce. These articles are then turned over to the State Historian for proper archiving.
- **Webmaster:** This committee has direct oversight of the State Society webpage. This includes the maintenance of a calendar of events for the State Society.

Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest

This committee is responsible for the conduct of the annual Rumbaugh Oration Contest and naming the State Society Winner who will represent the state at the National contest. This contest is open to all students who are United States citizens or legal aliens attending public, parochial or private high schools (including accredited home schools). The contestant has to be in their sophomore, junior, or senior year of study during the contest year.

The oration must be original of not less than five minutes or more than six minutes dealing with an event, person, ideal, or philosophy associated with the Revolution and showing a relationship to America today. The oration must be accompanied by a submitted manuscript.

Additional rules, guidelines, and entry forms can be found at the following website:

<http://www.sar.org/youth/rumbaughrules.html>

ROTC / JROTC Recognition

This committee is responsible for the selection of a Junior ROTC Cadet to represent the SC Society in the National Contest. The committee is also responsible for the distribution of the appropriate ROTC and / or

JROTC medals to the various chapters within the State Society. The chapters are then responsible for the distribution of these medals to the specific high schools and colleges.

As part of the selection process, this committee is responsible for the following duties:

- Receive and communicate any changes in contest regulations and deadlines to the chapters.
- Receive and adjudicate any applications for State Cadet of the Year from the chapters.
- Coordinate the submission of the materials of the State Cadet of the Year to the National Committee within the established deadlines.

Additional details on the national program can be found at the following website:

<http://www.sar.org/youth/jrotc.html>

Scholarship

The SC Society awards a single scholarship of \$1,000.00 to a deserving high school senior (home schooled students are also eligible) who attends school within the State of South Carolina. The scholarship is awarded on the following criteria:

- Academic achievement
- Demonstration of characteristics which reflect the principles and beliefs of the SAR such as character, good citizenship, and patriotism
- Both school and non-school extracurricular activities
- Well articulated and achievable goals.

Information and entry forms for this scholarship can be found at the following website:

http://www.scssar.org/PDF/Appins_2008.pdf

Young SAR

This committee was formed in June 2007 to establish and promote programming aimed at attracting and retaining members under the age of 50. By attracting and retaining these members, the future leaders of the SC Society can be trained from within.

SECTION 7

Protocol of the South Carolina Society

The South Carolina Society strives to operate in a manner consistent with the grace, dignity, and courtesy of Southern Gentlemen. The Society follows protocol that is consistent with the guidelines established by the National Society.

I. Precedence

In all meetings, the National Society is accorded the position of honor followed by the South Carolina Society, its chapters, and other lineage organizations ordered by the date of their founding (this information can be found at www.hereditary.us). The order of precedence is as follows:

1. NSSAR President General
2. DAR President General
3. CAR National President
4. CAR Senior National President
5. National presiding officers of other lineage organizations in order of founding
6. Former NSSAR Presidents General
7. SCSSAR State President
8. Presidents/Regents of other lineage organizations in order of founding
9. National Vice President General, South Atlantic District
10. National SAR Officers in order of seniority
11. National Officers of other lineage organizations in order of founding
12. Visiting State Society Presidents in order of entry into the Union
13. State Officers in order of seniority
14. Chapter Presidents in alphabetical order of the chapter name
15. Chapter Presidents/Regents of other lineage organizations in order of founding
16. National SAR Committee Chairmen
17. State Committee Chairmen
18. Chapter Committee Chairmen

Notwithstanding the precedence listed above, the presiding officer of the host Society or Chapter is the ranking and presiding officer at the specific function.

The presiding officer or host may designate a Guest of Honor for the specific function without respect to the established precedence.

II. Recognition, Seating, and Greetings

If a meeting begins with an introduction of dignitaries, persons are recognized and seated in the established Order of Precedence with the presiding officer taking either the center seat or the seat to the immediate left of the podium. The guest of honor is seated to the right of the presiding officer. After the guest of honor, guests should be seated in order of precedence.

In the case of a head table, seating is done alternating to the left and right of the previously seated person. In the case of a mixed gender head table, it is customary to alternate genders to the best extent possible. At no time should a lady be placed at the end of a table.

Officers of other organizations or societies can bring greetings to the SC Society. These individuals should be called on with respect to the established Order of Precedence.

III. Flags

Flags on a podium, or an elevated platform, will be displayed with the American Flag always to the right of the speaker's podium (to the left of the audience). Other flags are displayed to the speaker's left (to the left of the American Flag) in the following order:

1. Foreign national flags
2. State flags (SC Flag first followed by other state flags by date of admission)
3. Military organization flags in order of National Precedence
4. SAR Flag
5. Flags of other societies in order of founding
6. Flags of historical significance
7. Personal flags

Flags that are displayed behind the head table will be considered to be on a platform.

As with all protocol rules, discretion should always be used in displaying any flags. Room shape, entrance door location, and other physical factors may require a different arrangement of flags than listed above. There are numerous guides available concerning proper etiquette in displaying the American Flag. These should be consulted in conjunction with the protocol listed above.

IV. Neck Ribbons, Medals, and Other Insignia

Neck Ribbon

The National Handbook (http://www.sar.org/forms/handbook/SAR_Handbook_Vol_III.pdf) details the proper display of SAR medals and membership insignias.

The SAR Neck Ribbon is only to be worn by incumbent and past National Officers, trustees, state presidents, and chapter presidents. The membership badge is suspended from the bottom of the neck ribbon. The only insignia that are authorized to be worn on the neck ribbon are supplemental stars and approved NSSAR officer emblems as listed below in order of precedence:

- the Former President General Pin
- the Vice President General Pin
- the National Trustee Pin
- the Past State Society President Pin
- the Past Chapter President Pin

No more than three (3) officer emblems can be worn on the neck ribbon. The emblem with the highest precedence is worn near the "V" of the ribbon (the honor point) to the left of center. The second emblem is worn near the "V" to the right of center and the third is worn to the left of the first emblem.

State insignia or other insignia or pins are not authorized to be worn on the neck ribbon.

Medals

The SAR offers medals in both full size and miniature sizes.

Full Size Medals: These medals are pinned separately or mounted on a bar so that the medals are three and one-eighths inches in length with the bottom of the medals in a horizontal line. In the case of overlapping the medals, no more than fifty percent of the drape should be covered.

Miniature Size Medals: Miniature medals are considered formal and are worn with formal attire. These medals are worn on the left breast of the coat, four inches below the midpoint of the shoulder seam. For the sake of neatness, when multiple miniature medals are worn, they should be mounted onto a bar. The usual bar is that used by the armed forces and is described in more detail in the National Handbook, Volume III, Page 19. The same rules for display as for the full size medals apply.

More details are provided in Section 12 below.

VI. Visits by the State President to Chapters

The South Carolina Society President will attempt to visit each Chapter in the State Society during his term in office. Such visits are normally contingent on an invitation from the Chapter.

The invitation to attend a chapter function should be made as soon as possible after the election at the Annual State Meeting. The State President will normally be the Guest of Honor at the chapter meeting and will be expected to speak at the meeting. The nature of the President's remarks should be outlined in the invitation.

The invitation should also specify the nature of the meeting, the place, time, and dress code. This information should be included even if the State President is not the Guest of Honor. The State President has the duty to accept or decline any invitation as early as possible.

If there is a fee for admission, food, or similar other charge, the Chapter is responsible for the cost of these charges for the State President and his wife, if she accompanies him. If others attend the function with the State President, it is left to the discretion of the Chapter as to whether they will cover the cost for these guests or not.

When the State President attends a chapter function, the formal part of the meeting should not begin until the State President arrives.

If a Chapter invites the President General, Vice President General of the South Atlantic District, or any other National Society General Officer to a function, it should also invite the South Carolina State President.

SECTION 8

Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Society

I. Meeting Date

The date for the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Society will be the third Friday and Saturday of the second quarter of the year. At no time can the meeting be held on the same weekend as Easter. If Easter falls on the third weekend of the second quarter, the meeting will be moved to either the second or fourth weekend at the discretion of the State Society President.

II. Meeting Site

The site of the Annual Meeting shall rotate around the state each year. Each chapter shall have the opportunity to host the meeting. Key factors that should be considered by chapters wishing to host the Annual Meeting should include the site's ability to provide (1) suitable accommodations for overnight guests, (2) adequate reception and banquet facilities, and (3) adequate meeting spaces.

Recent precedent has held that this meeting be hosted by the chapter in which the Senior Vice President is a member. All efforts should be made not to hold the Annual Meeting in the same section of the state in concurrent years.

III. Attendees

All members of the SCSSAR in good standing may attend the Annual Meeting of the State Society. The Bylaws of the State Society define those members who are allowed to vote at the Annual Meeting. These voting members are designated as Delegates. The delegates of the Annual Meeting are defined as follows:

- 1) All Past Presidents of the SCSSAR
- 2) All current General Officers of the NSSAR who are active members of the SCSSAR
- 3) The current elected officers of the SCSSAR, including the National Trustee, the Alternate National Trustee, and any Endowment Trustees
- 4) State Committee Chairmen
- 5) Two delegates for each ten members of an active, functioning chapter.

The chapter delegates are elected or appointed by the chapter. The number of chapter members to be used in determining the number of delegates each chapter is entitled to shall be published by the State Secretary and be based on the reconciled membership roster as certified by the NSSAR. This reconciled roster is normally established in late February or early March of each year.

No delegate or any other voting member shall be entitled to cast more than one vote. Neither shall any proxy votes be accepted or allowed.

IV. Rates & Fees

The host chapter, in consultation with the State President, Senior Vice President, State Secretary, and State Treasurer, establishes a **break-even** budget for the Annual Meeting. Once the budget is established, Registration Fees associated with attendance to the Annual Meeting can be determined and announced.

The break-even budget should include the following items:

- 1) Printing and postage costs for printed programs, name tags, place cards
- 2) Flowers and / or table decorations
- 3) Hotel accommodations for Invited Guests (i.e. NSSAR officers & their ladies, Guest Speaker)
- 4) Gift for President General
- 5) Musicians and / or other entertainment
- 6) Speaker's Fees

- 7) Meal for each non-SAR award winner and 1 guest (i.e. a parent of a youth award winner)
- 8) Fees associated with meeting space
- 9) Banquet fees

As a note, there is no profit motive for a chapter in hosting the Annual Meeting.

Once the total cost of the Annual Meeting is determined, this figure should be divided by the anticipated number of SAR attendees to set the required Registration Fee. Additional rates and fees that are related to the Annual Meeting include, but are not limited to, hotel room rates, tour fees, and miscellaneous entertainment. These rates and fees are to be borne by the individual attendees and are not the responsibility of the host chapter.

At its discretion, the State Society may provide funding to the host chapter to cover specific costs of hosting the Annual Meeting. While this is the intended purpose of said funding, the host chapter does have the discretion to use this funding to mitigate the Registration Fee.

V. Invitations to Visiting Guests

Invitations to guests for the Annual Meeting are issued only by the State Secretary. Invited guests include, but are not limited to the following:

- 1) Adult non-SAR member award winners and one guest
- 2) Youth program award winners and one guest (usually one parent)
- 3) NSSAR General Officers
- 4) Other State Society Officers
- 5) Guest Speakers

Those committee chairmen whose committees make awards at the Annual Meeting should notify the State Secretary no later than three (3) weeks prior to the Annual Meeting so that invitations can be sent and responses returned for planning purposes.

VI. Gifts for Visiting Guests

If invited visiting guests are to be presented gifts in recognition for their attendance, the host chapter shall bear the cost. If the invited guest is a general officer of the NSSAR, such as the President General, the State Society shall also present a gift.

VII. Agenda

The agenda of the Annual Meeting has been established by the Bylaws of the South Carolina Society. The agenda is as such:

- 1) Calling the meeting to order by the President
- 2) Opening prayer by the Chaplain
- 3) Pledges to the Colors
- 4) Address by the President
- 5) Appointment of necessary committees
- 6) Reading of the minutes of the last meeting
- 7) Report of Officers
- 8) Report of Committees
- 9) Unfinished business
- 10) New business
- 11) Address by Special Guests
- 12) Election of Officers
- 13) Installation of Officers (see installation ceremonies provided in Section 10 below)
- 14) Adjournment and Benediction

This agenda may be suspended in whole or in part at the discretion of the State President.

VIII. Annual Meeting Report Forms

There are three report forms that are used for the Annual State Meeting Reports package. The reports, when submitted, are collected into a Reports Package for distribution to each voting delegate.

The forms are as follows:

- 1) State Officer Report Form

*South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution
Annual Officer Report*

OFFICE HELD: _____

ACTIVITIES OF THE OFFICER:

PLEASE LIST ALL CONTACTS AND MEETINGS ATTENDED WITH DATES:

CONTACT/MEETING: _____ **DATE:** _____

CONTACT/MEETING: _____ **DATE:** _____

****ADD MORE LINES IF NECESSARY****

PLEASE LIST ALL BATTLEFIELD CEREMONIES / SPECIAL EVENTS PARTICIPATED IN:

EVENT: _____ **DATE:** _____

EVENT: _____ **DATE:** _____

****ADD MORE LINES IF NECESSARY****

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

- 2) State Committee Chairman Report Form

*South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution
Annual Committee Chairman's Report*

COMMITTEE: _____

CHAIRMAN: _____

MEMBERS: _____

LIST ALL CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE:

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

3) Annual Chapter Report Form

*South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution
Annual Chapter Report*

CHAPTER: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PRESIDENT: _____
VICE PRESIDENT: _____
SECRETARY: _____
TREASURER: _____
REGISTRAR: _____
HISTORIAN: _____
GENEALOGIST: _____
CHAPLIN: _____

DATE OF OFFICER INSTALLATION:

ADOPTED REVOLUTIONARY WAR SITE:
PLAN FOR PUBLICIZING SITE:

ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAPTER:

PLEASE LIST ALL CONTACTS AND AWARD WINNERS AND DATE PRESENTED:

ROTC/JROTC:
KNIGHT ESSAY:
EAGLE SCOUT:
POSTER CONTEST:

PLEASE LIST ALL CERTIFICATES & MEDALS PRESENTED AND THE DATE PRESENTED:

AWARD: _____ **DATE:** _____
AWARD: _____ **DATE:** _____

ADD MORE LINES IF NECESSARY

PLEASE LIST ALL BATTLEFIELD CEREMONIES / SPECIAL EVENTS PARTICIPATED IN:

EVENT: _____ **DATE:** _____ **# OF MEMBERS:** _____
EVENT: _____ **DATE:** _____ **# OF MEMBERS:** _____

USE (S) IF SPONSORED BY THE CHAPTER

ADD MORE LINES IF NECESSARY

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

SECTION 9

Meetings of the Board of Governors

I. Meeting Dates

The South Carolina Society Board of Governors meets on the third Saturday of the first month of each quarter. If this date conflicts with a recognized National Society Historic Celebration, the meeting will be moved to the second Saturday of the first month of the quarter.

II. Meeting Sites

The South Carolina Society Board of Governors meets in Columbia, South Carolina for the meetings of the first, third, and fourth quarters of the year. The site of the meeting in Columbia is at the discretion of the State Society President. However, it must be noted that the location must be of sufficient size to host the required number of attendees. It is preferable that the site be free of charge such as a public library or some other similar location.

III. Attendees

All members of the SCSSAR in good standing may attend the meetings of the Board of Governors. The specific attendees who have voting privileges are defined as follows:

- 1) All Past Presidents of the SCSSAR
- 2) All current General Officers of the NSSAR who are active members of the SCSSAR
- 3) The current elected officers of the SCSSAR, including the National Trustee, the Alternate National Trustee, and any Endowment Trustees
- 4) State Committee Chairmen
- 5) The president of each active, functioning chapter
- 6) One additional member of each active, functioning chapter (elected or appointed by the chapter)

No voting member shall be entitled to cast more than one vote nor shall any proxy votes be accepted or allowed.

IV. Board of Governors Report Forms

There are three report forms that are used for the normal Board of Governors meetings. The reports, when submitted, are collected into a Reports Package for distribution to each board member.

The forms are as follows:

- 1) Officer Report Form

*South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution
Board of Governors Officer Report*

OFFICE HELD: _____

ACTIVITIES OF THE OFFICER:

PLEASE LIST ALL CONTACTS & MEETINGS ATTENDED WITH DATES:

CONTACT/MEETING: _____ **DATE:** _____

CONTACT/MEETING: _____ **DATE:** _____

ADD MORE LINES IF NECESSARY

PLEASE LIST ALL BATTLEFIELD CEREMONIES /SPECIAL EVENTS PARTICIPATED IN:

EVENT: _____ **DATE:** _____

EVENT: _____ DATE: _____
ADD MORE LINES IF NECESSARY

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY:

SIGNATURE: _____
DATE: _____

2) Committee Chairman Report Form

*South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution
Board of Governors Committee Chairman's Report*

COMMITTEE: _____
CHAIRMAN: _____
MEMBERS: _____

LIST ALL CONTACTS & ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE:

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY:

SIGNATURE: _____
DATE: _____

3) Chapter Report Form

*South Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution
Board of Governors Chapter Report*

Name of Chapter: _____ President: _____
Current Chapter Membership: _____ Number of Applications Pending: _____
Number of Prospective Members: _____ Number of Members Inducted: _____
Number of New Members: _____ Deceased Member(s): _____

List SAR Certificates, Medals, and Awards presented in the chapter service area since your last report:
Award: _____ Recipient: _____ Date: _____
Award: _____ Recipient: _____ Date: _____
Medal: _____ Recipient: _____ Date: _____
Medal: _____ Recipient: _____ Date: _____

Provide a summary, including date, of SAR or memorial programs participated in since last report:
ROTC/JROTC: _____
Knight Essay: _____
Eagle Scout: _____
Veterans: _____
School Programs: _____
Historic Site Programs: _____
Young SAR: _____
Other: _____

List chapter meeting information since your last report:

Meeting Dates since Last BOM: _____

Speakers / Programs: _____

Number of Members attending: _____ Number of Guests attending: _____

Date of Next Meeting: _____ Program/Speaker: _____

Other items or comments not included above:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Chapter President, please complete this report and keep a copy for your annual report. Please report anything that the SCSSAR could do to improve or enhance your chapter's ability to continue to grow and prosper within the comments section.

SECTION 10

CHAPTER MEETINGS

I. Meeting Sites & Dates

Meeting sites for chapters are the sole discretion of the individual chapters. Meeting dates are also the sole discretion of the individual chapters.

II. Sample Agenda

The following sample agenda for a chapter meeting is taken from the National Society Handbook:

- Advancement of the Colors (if a color guard is available)
- Invocation by the Chapter Chaplain
- Pledges to the Colors - this includes the pledge to the South Carolina Flag
- Welcome by the President
- Dignitary Comments – if visiting dignitaries are present
- Business Session
- Introduction of Guest Speaker
- Program
- Closing Comments by the President
- Retirement of the Colors (if they had been advanced earlier)
- SAR Recessional
- Benediction

III. Installation of New Chapter Members

The following is the recommended Installation Ceremony for new members. This ceremony can be conducted at any regularly scheduled meeting of a chapter.

Chapter President: Compatriot _____, do you as a descendant of _____, a hero of the American Revolution, reaffirm your ancestor's faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic? If so, please respond with "I do."

Compatriot: I do.

Chapter President: And will you pledge to support the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and the _____ Chapter? If so, please respond with "I will."

Compatriot: I will.

Chapter President: I now ask your sponsor, Compatriot _____ to come forward and present you with the SAR Rosette, as a symbol of your membership in the SAR. The Rosette is the official Recognition Emblem of the Sons of the American Revolution. Its blue and buff colors represent the colors of the uniform worn by General George Washington. Wear it proudly.

Compatriot _____, we ask that you work with us to fulfill the purposes and objectives of the Sons of the American Revolution and welcome you into the _____ Chapter.

At this time, we would like to invite you to address our members present and tell us about your ancestor or any other thoughts that you may have.

This ceremony can be adapted to accommodate multiple new members.

IV. Installation of New Chapter Officers

The installation of new chapter officers should always be conducted by either a state or national officer. The following is the recommended Officer Installation Ceremony.

Installing Officer: I ask that all of the newly elected officers please assemble in front of the podium. Compatriots, please raise your right hand.

Gentlemen, having been duly elected to office in the _____ Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, do you promise and swear to support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution; and do you further promise and swear that you will faithfully discharge the duties of your office to the best of your knowledge and ability, and that you will, at all times, conduct yourself in a manner worthy of our society, so help you God?

Response: I do.

Installing Officer: To the Compatriots of the _____ Chapter: I have just given your new officers their charge. I now wish to remind you of your obligation to them: Assist them, support them, and encourage them in the discharge of their duties, thus furthering the principals and purposes of the Sons of the American Revolution.

V. Installation of New Chapter President

The following Ceremony is a continuation of the New Officer Installation Ceremony:

Installing Officer: President _____, I place about your neck the insignia of your office. This insignia represents the authority vested in you by your Compatriots of the _____ Chapter. They have bestowed a great honor on you and at the same time you have accepted a grave responsibility. When wearing this insignia, be mindful of the duties and responsibilities which go hand in hand with the honor and dignity of your office. Strive diligently to fulfill the pledge you have just taken.

President _____, it is now my sincere privilege to present you with this gavel, as a symbol of the authority now vested in you. Wield it always with dignity, honor, and temperance.

After this ceremony is complete, the President is expected to make brief remarks similar to an inaugural address.

SECTION 11

Other Types of Meetings

I. Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony

The following is the suggested form for marking the grave of a Revolutionary War Patriot as taken from the National Society Handbook:

- SAR Official (most commonly the host chapter president) opens the ceremony with an appropriate Welcome and Greeting

Leader: I am _____, _____ of the _____ Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. I would like to welcome each of you to the grave marking ceremony for Patriot _____. If the past is indeed prologue, then a glimpse into the past can provide a source of wisdom and inspiration for the future. As we honor Patriot _____ today, let us be mindful of his/her service to our nation, and let us rededicate ourselves to the principles for which he/she held sacred.

- Presentation of the Colors by SAR Color Guard, Military Unit, ROTC Unit, Boy Scout Unit or other appropriate group

Leader: Color Guard Commander, please present the colors.

- Invocation

Chaplain: As we gather, O God, for this dedication today, we ask your blessing upon each of us. We thank you for this occasion as we honor the memory of _____; we esteem his/her patriotism and courage, his/her faith and loyalty, and his/her willingness to sacrifice to make our world a better place. We thank you, too, for America and all the patriots who have given us the liberties and privileges that we enjoy. May we be willing to serve you and our nation even as _____ did. May the ideals that we remember from the past sustain us today and safeguard us tomorrow. Amen.

Leader: Please remain standing as we pledge allegiance to the Flag. This and the other pledges can be found in your program.

- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- Pledge to the South Carolina Flag
- Pledge to the SAR Flag
- Other opening ritual as may be deemed appropriate (i.e. DAR and CAR opening ritual)
- Introduction of Visiting Dignitaries – each brings short greetings to the assembly

Leader: I would like to recognize some honored guests that are present with us today. (use established protocol list to recognize visiting national and state representatives)

- Introduction of the Descendants

Leader: I would also like to ask that all the descendants of Patriot _____ in attendance please stand and be recognized. (appropriate applause)

Leader: I would like to recognize _____, a descendant of _____ to tell us about _____.

- Recitation on the Life of the Patriot (preferably made by a descendant)
- Dedication and Unveiling of the Marker

Leader: Thank you for those remarks. It is now time to dedicate and unveil the grave marker. I would ask that two members of the family come forward to unveil the marker at this time.

(After the unveiling) We, as members of the _____ Chapter, South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution, hereby dedicate this marker to the glory of God and in recognition of the memory of _____, a Patriot of the American Revolution.

At this time, _____ will place an American Flag on the grave.

- Decoration of the Grave

Leader: As a sign of respect and to honor the memory of Patriot _____, many wreaths have been brought to decorate his/her grave. As I call out the names, I ask that each organization please present their wreath. (use the established protocol list beginning with the National Society SAR and concluding with the descendants)

- Musket Salute and Taps (if available)
- Retirement of the Colors

Leader: As we conclude this ceremony, I ask that everyone stand for the retirement of the colors. Color Guard Commander, retire the colors.

- Benediction

Chaplain: Almighty God, as we go from here, may this marker remind all who pass by of the devotion and dedication of all who have made our nation great. May all be humbled and encouraged by this marker to esteem and perpetuate these virtues with our lives. May the peace of God, which surpasses all, guard our hearts and minds in the ties of friendship and unity of love. Amen.

- SAR Recessional

Leader: Will each of you recite with me the SAR recessional found in your program. (after the recessional is read) Thank you all for coming, this ceremony is now concluded.

As a note, this ceremony can be modified to include other music and announcements of related events such as a reception, membership requests in SAR, photograph opportunities with the SAR Color Guard, etc.

II. Compatriot Grave Marking Ceremony

The form of the Compatriot Grave Marking Ceremony follows that of the Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony. The main differences are outlined below:

- Opening of the ceremony
- Presentation of Colors
- Pledges
- Invocation
- Introduction of Guests
- Introduction of Family
- Grave Marking Ceremony

Chapter President: Compatriots, members of the Family, and guests, we meet at this time to commemorate our fellow member _____ who has answered the last call. Chaplain _____ will preside.

Chaplain: Mr. President and members of the Family, I am at your service and shall endeavor to perform this solemn duty in the spirit of true Christian Faith. Mr. President, to whom should we look for help in life's battles?

Chapter President: "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth."

Chaplain: Mr. Vice-President, what assurance do we have of a prolonged stay among the scenes and activities of this life?

Chapter Vice-President: "For we are strangers before Thee and sojourners, as were all our fathers; our days on earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding."

Chaplain: Mr. Secretary, do you have a message of condolence?"

Chapter Secretary: The Holy Bible tells us: "Like as a father pities his children, so the Lord pities them that fear Him. For He knows our frame, He remembers that we are dust."

Chaplain: And I too have a message of inspiration for all Compatriots and their families that should inspire us now, at this solemn moment, and all through life. This message is from Christ, the Head of the Church, who said: "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever believeth in me shall never die." Compatriots, let us so live that when that last summons comes for us, we may depart this life.

Let us pray: Our gracious heavenly Father, in silent reverence we recognize the truth of Your inspired words; "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." As Compatriots answer the last summons from You, we ask that You will look with mercy upon their families, and with Your own tenderness console and comfort them. And now, our Heavenly Father, bless our country with freedom, peace, and righteousness. Through Your favor may we all meet at last before Your throne in Glory. All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Load, Amen.

- Dedication and Unveiling of the marker
- Decoration of the Grave
- Musket Salute and Taps
- Retirement of Colors
- Benediction
- SAR Recessional

This ceremony can be adapted accordingly.

III. Battle or Event Celebration

The form of the ceremony of recognizing battles or other events follows the ceremony of the Patriot and Compatriot Grave Marking ceremonies. Appropriate edits and changes are made to allow for additional public speakers if necessary. Also, attention must be paid in the introductions as well as the order of wreath presentations with respect to the established protocol and order of precedence.

SECTION 12

Medals and Awards

I. General Information

The following is a synopsis of information found in Volume III of the National Handbook.

Wear: Medals are offered in both Full and Miniature sizes. The miniature medals should only be worn on formal wear. All medals are worn on the left breast of the coat four inches below the midpoint of the shoulder seam. Medals can be worn separately or mounted on a bar for neatness (mounting is preferred if more than three medals are being worn). No more than three rows of mounted medals should be worn. When mounted, no more than 50% of the drape should be visible from the lower rows. The National Handbook has information on the order of precedence for medals awarded by the SAR.

Presentation: All medals are awarded in the name of the National Society in public and with the appropriate ceremony. Medals should be presented in person to the recipient or a designated alternate. In no circumstances should a medal be mailed to the recipient.

Resale: By becoming a member of the SAR, compatriots have given the legal authority to the SAR to prevent improper transfers of any SAR insignia. Members are requested to guard against insignia being made available for resale in any retail establishment or internet shop. By becoming a member, they also agree for themselves and their estates to give the SAR the right of first purchase of their SAR Badge and other regalia.

Medals that can only be received once: National Society Medal of Distinguished Service, State Medal of Distinguished Service, Patriot Medal, Meritorious Service (only once by each presenting authority), SAR Medal of Appreciation, Martha Washington, Gold Good Citizenship, Silver Good Citizenship, Law Enforcement, Fire Safety Commendation, any Color Guard Medal.

Medals that can be received more than once: Meritorious Service Medal, War Service Medal, Medal for Heroism, Bronze Good Citizenship Medal, Liberty Medal, Florence Kendal Award. Oak Leaf Clusters are presented in lieu of multiple medals. A Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is worn for each additional award up to five additional awards. A Silver Oak Leaf Cluster is worn for each set of five Bronze clusters up to a maximum of two silver clusters. A Gold Oak Leaf Cluster is worn in lieu of two silver clusters.

**The list of medals and awards that follow are of those awards that can be presented by either the State Society or a Chapter. There are additional medals and awards that can only be awarded at the National level or that require National approval before the State Society can make that award. Please refer to the National Handbook for more information.

II. SAR Medals and Awards

State Medal of Distinguished Service: This medal is the highest medal that can be awarded by the State Society President. Only one can be awarded by the State Society President each year of his term in office. It is awarded at the end of the year or term in office and requires no other approval. The medal recognizes a compatriot for distinguished *state level* service during the previous year. A compatriot can only receive this medal once even if they hold dual status or transfer to a new state society. The State Society President must complete the appropriate nomination form and send it to the National Office when ordering the medal.

Patriot Medal: This medal is the highest award that can be presented to a compatriot by the state society. It can only be presented by the state society. It can only be received once by a compatriot. The medal recognizes long, faithful, and outstanding service at the *state or chapter level*. Service at the national level should not be considered. A nomination form listing the specific service is required and must be forwarded to the State Medals and Awards Committee for consideration. Once approved by the State Committee, the

nomination form is forwarded to the Executive Director of the NSSAR at least thirty (30) days prior to the presentation. The State Society is limited by the NSSAR as to the number of medals that it is permitted to present each year. Based on the national guidelines, the SCSSAR is allowed to present up to two (2) medals each year (Membership between 500 and 1,000). The presentation of the medal must be made in person.

Silver Good Citizenship Medal: This medal recognizes outstanding and unusual patriotic achievement and service. *This medal can only be awarded by the State or by a chapter with State Society approval (given by the State Medals and Awards Committee).* The medal can be presented to persons of prominence in the areas of government, military service, religion, education, business, and other appropriate fields of endeavor. If an SAR member is being considered, he must have served in six leadership capacities in any of the following organizations: church, school, scouting, fraternal, business association, government, patriotic, military, veterans, conservation, hereditary and genealogical, historical, or organized sports. The medal should not be used to recognize service to the SAR as other medals recognize this. An appropriate biographical sketch should accompany any nomination. There is no requirement that the recipient must have previously received the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal.

Bronze Good Citizenship Medal: This medal recognizes individuals whose achievements are noteworthy in their school, community, or state. This medal is a multi-functional medal and can be presented to both adults and minors, including SAR members, who in the opinion of the awarding society or chapter meets the statement provided above. The medal can be presented more than once if the individual qualifies in under a separate category or endeavor.

Silver Color Guard Medal: This medal is awarded to a color guard member for participation on a District or National Level. The award is made by the State Society on behalf of the National Society after the nomination is approved by the National Color Guard Committee. To qualify for this award, the color guard member must have had active service for three (3) years and attended at least nine (9) National / District events. These events include National Congress, National Leadership Meetings, and recognized National Events such as Cowpens and Kings Mountain (the list of events can be found on the National Color Guard and Historic Sites & Celebrations websites). This medal can only be awarded once and oak leaf clusters are not allowed.

Bronze Color Guard Medal: This medal is awarded to color guard members who have met the specific requirements outlined by the State Society including three (3) years of service and attendance at a designated number of State events. This medal can only be awarded once and oak leaf clusters are not allowed.

Service to Veterans Medal: This medal is awarded to SAR members who have given long and exemplary service to veterans. The medal is awarded to a member who accrues 5,000 USS Stark Award points. When nominated for this award, the nominator must include documentation of these points to the State Medal & Awards Committee. Bronze oak leaf clusters can be awarded for each additional 3,000 points accrued. The awarding of additional oak leaf clusters follows the schedule outlined above.

War Service Medal: This medal is awarded to SAR members who have served in the armed forces of the United States (or one of its allies) and fought against a common enemy in a war or an action recognized by the United States through the issuance of a campaign medal or ribbon. Proof of such service will be through a copy of the member's discharge document or mobilization orders.

Military Service Medal: This medal is awarded to SAR members who served in the United States Military (or one of its allies) but who do not qualify for the War Service Medal. Documentation is required and is similar to that for the War Service Medal.

Medal for Heroism: This medal recognizes outstanding bravery and self-sacrifice in the face of imminent danger. It is intended primarily for acts by civilians not in uniform but can include acts by first responders and SAR members. Awarding chapters and societies are required to forward a form detailing the recipient and the act for which the medal was awarded to the National Headquarters, ATTN: Public Service and

Heroism Committee no later than June 1st for inclusion in an annual publication. The report form can be found at the following address: <http://www.sar.org/forms/PublicServiceCommitteeform.pdf>. This medal can be presented posthumously.

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal: This medal recognizes exceptional service or accomplishment in the field of law enforcement. The award can be made the entire range of individuals who service in this field including peace officers, attorneys, judges, prosecutors, and legislators. This medal can only be presented once to an individual and can be presented posthumously. A nomination form must be completed and returned to the National Office. The form is the same as that for the Medal of Heroism.

Fire Safety Commendation Medal: This medal recognizes individuals for accomplishments and/or contributions to the field of fire safety and service. It is not limited to firefighters. The medal can only be presented once and may be presented posthumously. A nomination form must be completed and returned to the National Office. The form is the same as that for the Medal of Heroism.

Emergency Medical Services Commendation Medal: This medal is awarded to paramedics, Emergency Medical Technicians, and other emergency medical service personnel who have performed an act or service beyond that normally expected. The medal can only be presented once and may be presented posthumously. A nomination form must be completed and returned to the National Office. The form is the same as that for the Medal of Heroism.

Robert E Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award Medal: This medal is presented to SAR members in good standing who are currently active in a scout unit, district, or council who has displayed outstanding dedication to the Scouting Program. This medal is awarded by the National Committee upon the nomination from a State Society. The decision to award the medal is made by the National Committee. State Societies are limited to a maximum of two (2) award winners each year. The nomination form can be obtained by contacting the National Office.

Silver CAR-SAR Medal of Appreciation: This medal can be presented to either a member of the CAR or SAR in good standing. It recognizes outstanding services rendered to the State CAR Society. This medal can only be presented by the State Society. This medal should only be awarded based on documented service and not by tradition or entitlement.

Bronze CAR-SAR Medal of Appreciation: The medal can be presented to either a member of the CAR or SAR in good standing who has rendered outstanding service to a local CAR Society. Such service can include promoting CAR members to obtain SAR membership, sponsoring CAR member participation in SAR events such as the Annual meeting or a National Congress, those CAR members who have significantly aided SAR programs, or who have provided leadership to a local CAR Society. This medal should only be awarded based on documented service and not by tradition or entitlement.

Outstanding Citizenship Award Lapel Pin: This lapel pin can be presented to deserving individuals in recognition of their demonstrated high ideals of character and citizenship. The primary recipients should be students.

Distinguished Service Certificate: This certificate can be awarded to any individual to recognize outstanding personal service exemplifying the finest American Ideals.

Certificate of Appreciation: This is a multi-functional certificate that can be used to recognize various services rendered to the state society or a chapter. Awardees can include members, speakers, or organizations.

Outstanding Citizenship Certificate: This certificate can be presented in conjunction with the Lapel Pin or by itself in lieu of a Bronze Good Citizenship Medal if budgetary constraints prevent ordering the medal.

Flag Certificate: This certificate is presented to individuals, companies, and/or government agencies that fly the United States Flag for patriotic purposes only. It is not given to any commercial enterprise that

obviously flies the flag for advertising purposes. The presentation of the certificate is normally made by the SAR member that recommended the award.

III. DAR Medals and Awards

The following medals and awards are presented to members of the DAR or other females as noted:

SAR Daughters of Liberty Medal: This medal is presented to a lady, not necessarily a member of the DAR, in appreciation for her unselfish devotion, tireless effort and assistance to the SAR, and who has dedicated her time, energy, ability, and/or finances to the SAR in support and furtherance of its stated objectives. The medal should only be presented after the SAR Medal of Appreciation or the Martha Washington Medal have been presented. This medal can only be presented once. It is considered second in importance only to the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal.

SAR Medal of Appreciation: This medal is presented to a member of the DAR in good standing in recognition of and in appreciation for outstanding services rendered to the SAR. Such services include, but are not limited to, assistance in forming a new SAR chapter, obtaining a specific number of new SAR members, or otherwise aiding in SAR programs. Oak leaf clusters may be presented in the case of multiple awards if the DAR member qualifies for the medal under a different category.

Martha Washington Medal: This medal is presented to a lady who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, not necessarily a DAR member, in recognition of outstanding service to the SAR. This medal can be awarded to a DAR member on a separate occasion if they have already received the SAR Medal of Appreciation and if her service warrants.

Bronze Good Citizenship Medal

IV. Youth & CAR Medals and Awards

The following medals and awards can be presented to Youth and CAR members:

- Bronze Good Citizenship Medal
- Silver CAR-SAR Medal of Appreciation
- Bronze CAR-SAR Medal of Appreciation
- Outstanding Citizenship Award Lapel Pin
- Silver ROTC Medal
- Bronze ROTC Medal
- JROTC Medal

Also, youth program award winners can receive monetary and other awards from the state society in recognition of being named the winner of a specific state sponsored contest.

V. Non-SAR Medals and Awards

The following medals and awards can be presented to Non-SAR members:

- Silver Good Citizenship Medal
- Bronze Good Citizenship Medal
- Medal for Heroism
- Law Enforcement Commendation Medal
- Fire Safety Commendation Medal
- Emergency Medical Services Commendation Medal
- Outstanding Citizenship Award Lapel Pin
- Certificate of Appreciation
- Outstanding Citizenship Certificate
- Flag Certificate

VI. Recognition for Monetary Contributions

Donations in support for the various programs and activities of the National Society are recognized in the following manner:

Friends of the SAR Library

SAR members are recognized for donations to and membership in the National Friends of the Library. The National Library collection has grown to over 58,000 items including family histories, genealogical materials, federal census records, Revolutionary War pension applications, and a variety of other books and collections. Levels of giving include donated items as well as cash in the following manner:

- Individual Member ----- \$30.00 per year
- Family Membership ----- \$50.00 per year
- Patron ----- \$100.00
- Jefferson Club ----- \$500.00

George Washington Endowment Fund

The George Washington Endowment Fund supports various youth programs, event, and other programs that may not have specific funding sources that support the SAR outreach mission. To be recognized, a donor must make a minimum undesignated donation of \$1,000.00. With this minimum donation, the donor is designated a George Washington Fellow and receives a Gold Lapel Pin and a Certificate.

Center for Advancing America's Heritage

For approximately the last eight years, the NSSAR has been raising funds to construct and endow an educational outreach center in Louisville, KY. As of March 2008, the NSSAR purchased a building on West Main Street located across from the Louisville Slugger Museum. NSSAR Executive Director Joe Harris stated, "The Center will promote the understanding of the Revolutionary War period, including its people, places, events, and memorials through educational outreach programs and curricula via Internet, printed material and presentations using both live and recorded media. The Center's museum and library will become a premiere repository of documents and artifacts of the Revolutionary War period." Currently, the estimated cost to renovate the building that was purchased is between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000. An additional \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 is desired to endow the operations of the Center.

As of December 2007, fund raising efforts for the Center had resulted in approximately \$3,000,000, of which \$1,600,000 was used to purchase the new building. The current headquarters building and campus are expected to contribute approximately \$2,200,000. Additionally, historic tax credits are available to the NSSAR which can be sold for approximately \$1,000,000. All told, there is approximately \$4,600,000 available for use leaving an additional \$4,400,000 in needed funds.

At the Spring 2008 Leadership Meeting, the NSSAR Trustees voted that the NSSAR should have sufficient funds necessary to fund the renovations before any work would begin. Funding for the endowment would continue but would not delay any renovations. The following outlines the recognition of donations for the Center for Advancing America's Heritage:

<u>Donation</u>	<u>Recognition & Benefits</u>
\$500 - \$999	Antique Copper Lapel Pin
\$1,000 - \$4,999	Antique Copper Lapel Pin with Sapphire, Certificate
\$5,000 - \$7,499	Antique Copper Lapel Pin with Ruby, Certificate
\$7,500 - \$9,999	Antique Copper Lapel Pin with Emerald, Certificate
\$10,000 - \$24,999**	Bronze Lapel Pin, Certificate, Name Recognition
\$25,000 - \$49,999	Silver Lapel Pin, Certificate, Name Recognition
\$50,000 - \$99,999	Gold Lapel Pin, Certificate, Name Recognition
\$100,000 and above	Gold Lapel Pin with Diamond, Certificate, Name Recognition, Commissioned Art Work with Certificate

***Naming opportunities are available for gifts of over \$10,000*

VII. Minuteman Medal Recipients from South Carolina

The Minuteman Award is the highest award presented to a member by the National Society. It is presented for distinguished service rendered to the SAR on the national level. It was first authorized for presentation in 1952 and is presented annual during the Awards Night at each National Congress.

The following compatriots from the South Carolina Society have received this prestigious award:

1954	Charles P Summerall
1985	William B Worthy
1992	Lee Wallace Derrer
1995	William T Allgood
2002	Ronald J Horton

VIII. Patriot Medal Recipients from South Carolina

The following compatriots have received the Patriot Medal from the South Carolina Society:

1965	Dr Boyce McL. Grier; Edward Lomar Hight; Colonel Arthur P McGee
1966	Joseph A Pippen
1967	Frank S Hight
1968	Colonel Carl Frank Myers Jr
1969	Hilton Scott Murphy
1970	Colonel Francis Murray Mack
1973	Joseph H Cutchin MD
1978	Carl H May; Colonel Francis Murray Mack **; Lt Colonel Samuel Sidney Wood
1979	Harold McCallum McLeod
1980	George Frederick Oliver Jr
1981	William Buford Worthy
1982	George Bailey Myers
1983	Elmer Thomas Crowson
1984	Cohn Hugh Cantrell Jr; Charles Mills Pace
1985	Walter Taylor Barron
1987	William T Allgood
1989	Alex M Coeiger; Dr Edwin Robertson Worrell
1990	David Keener Summers Jr
1991	James Samuel Hobson; Malcolm Lester Mann
1992	William Headen Darnell PhD; Rev Dr Lynwood D Jordan Sr
1994	Harry L Cunningham; Mills F Nunn
1997	William Headen Darnell PhD **
1998	Ronald Johnson Horton; Franklin Albert Spearman II
2002	Dr Samuel Perry Davis Sr; Merrill Reich
2003	Colonel Frank Kenneth Babbitt Jr
2004	James Robert Cook
2005	Frank William Branson III
2006	Julian Victor Brandt III
2007	Rev Theodore Roosevelt Morton Jr; A Daniel Patten Jr; Donald Everett Wilder Jr
2008	Mark Christopher Anthony; Gregory H Ohanesian

***Awarded a second medal*

IX. Awards Won by the South Carolina Society

The following awards have been won by the South Carolina Society at the annual National Congress. These awards are more fully described in Volume III of the National Handbook. Also listed are the names of any sponsored winners of national awards.

<u>89th National Congress</u>	<u>San Diego, CA</u>	<u>1979</u>
<u>90th National Congress</u>	<u>Winston-Salem, NC</u>	<u>1980</u>
	President General's Streamer	
<u>91st National Congress</u>	<u>Oklahoma City, OK</u>	<u>1981</u>
	President General's Streamer	
<u>92nd National Congress</u>	<u>Portland, OR</u>	<u>1982</u>
<u>93rd National Congress</u>	<u>Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>1983</u>
<u>94th National Congress</u>	<u>Cincinnati, OH</u>	<u>1984</u>
	President General's Streamer	
<u>95th National Congress</u>	<u>Louisville, KY</u>	<u>1985</u>
<u>96th National Congress</u>	<u>Tampa, FL</u>	<u>1986</u>
<u>97th National Congress</u>	<u>King of Prussia, PA</u>	<u>1987</u>
<u>98th National Congress</u>	<u>Washington, DC</u>	<u>1988</u>
<u>99th National Congress</u>	<u>San Francisco, CA</u>	<u>1989</u>
<u>100th National Congress</u>	<u>Louisville, KY</u>	<u>1990</u>
<u>101st National Congress</u>	<u>Kansas City, KS</u>	<u>1991</u>
<u>102nd National Congress</u>	<u>Phoenix, AZ</u>	<u>1992</u>
<u>103rd National Congress</u>	<u>Norfolk, VA</u>	<u>1993</u>
	NSSAR Officers Award	
<u>104th National Congress</u>	<u>New Orleans, LA</u>	<u>1994</u>
<u>105th National Congress</u>	<u>Louisville, KY</u>	<u>1995</u>
<u>106th National Congress</u>	<u>San Antonio, TX</u>	<u>1996</u>
	NSSAR Officers Award	
<u>107th National Congress</u>	<u>Baltimore, MD</u>	<u>1997</u>
	NSSAR Officers Award	
<u>108th National Congress</u>	<u>Orlando, FL</u>	<u>1998</u>
	USS Stark Memorial Award	
<u>109th National Congress</u>	<u>San Diego, CA</u>	<u>1999</u>
<u>110th National Congress</u>	<u>Boston, MA</u>	<u>2000</u>
	NSSAR Officers Award	

<u>111th National Congress</u>	<u>Louisville, KY</u>	<u>2001</u>
NSSAR Officers Award		
<u>112th National Congress</u>	<u>Nashville, TN</u>	<u>2002</u>
NSSAR Officers Award		
<u>113th National Congress</u>	<u>Chicago, IL</u>	<u>2003</u>
NSSAR Officers Award		
Harold L Putnam Award (Oration) – Andrew Montgomery, Winner		
<u>114th National Congress</u>	<u>Pittsburgh, PA</u>	<u>2004</u>
NSCAR Activity Award		
NSSAR Officers Award		
Arthur J Tremble Award – The 1776 Trophy		
<u>115th National Congress</u>	<u>Louisville, KY</u>	<u>2005</u>
NSCAR Activity Award		
<u>116th National Congress</u>	<u>Dallas, TX</u>	<u>2006</u>
<u>117th National Congress</u>	<u>Williamsburg, VA</u>	<u>2007</u>
President General’s Streamer		
Allene Wilson Groves Americanism Award		
NSCAR Activity Award		
John C Houghton Enhanced JROTC Award – Stephen Bryant, Winner		
<u>118th National Congress</u>	<u>Sacramento, CA</u>	<u>2008</u>
President General’s Streamer		
NSCAR Activity Award		
George & Stella Knight Award – Jenna Barker, Winner		
<u>119th National Congress</u>	<u>Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>2009</u>
<u>120th National Congress</u>	<u>Cleveland, OH</u>	<u>2010</u>
<u>121st National Congress</u>	<u>Winston-Salem, NC</u>	<u>2011</u>
<u>122nd National Congress</u>	<u>Phoenix, AZ</u>	<u>2012</u>
<u>123rd National Congress</u>	<u>Kansas City, MO</u>	<u>2013</u>

X. Battle Commemoration Streamers Earned by the South Carolina Society

2004:	Kettle Creek 224 th ; Kings Mountain 224 th
2005:	Kettle Creek 225 th ; Buford’s Massacre 225 th ; Kings Mountain 225 th
2006:	Cowpens 225 th ; Kettle Creek 226 th ; Guilford Courthouse 225 th ;
2007:	Cowpens 226 th ; Kings Mountain 227 th
2008:	Cowpens 227 th ; Kings Mountain 228 th